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LETTER REGARDING SITE VISIT TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT 17 NSA CRANE  
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Reference: CLEAN Contract N62467-04-D-0055  
Contract Task Order No. 0020

Subject: Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC)  
Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 17 (PCB Capacitor Burial/Pole Yard)  
April 5, 2007 Site Visit

Dear Mr. Hickey:

A site visit to SWMU 17 is scheduled for April 5, 2007. Representatives from NSWC Crane (Tom Brent), United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) (Peter Ramanauskas and Dan Mazur), Indiana Department of Environmental Quality (IDEM) (Doug Griffin), and Tetra Tech NUS, Inc. (Tetra Tech) (Ralph Basinski, Aaron Bernhardt, and Valerie Plachy) will participate in the SWMU 17 site visit.

The SWMU 17 site visit agenda includes:

- Touring the SWMU 17 polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) contaminated areas.
- Discussion of the interim measures approach (See Enclosure 1).
- Discussion of the interim measures construction sequence including environmental impacts of construction (See Attachment 1 to Enclosure 1).
- Discussion of the SWMU 17 PCB remediation segmentation approach including Monitored Natural Recovery (MNR) of Boggs Creek and Net Environmental Benefit Analysis (NEBA) of this approach.

The following are the key discussion points:

- PCBs contamination has been identified near Buildings 357 and 2721.
- PCB contamination has been identified in approximately 2,600 feet of an unnamed tributary to Boggs Creek, approximately 200 feet of Boggs Creek, and approximately 1,100 feet of drainageways at SWMU 17.
- The portion of Boggs Creek that was evaluated has PCB contamination close to 1 milligram per kilogram (mg/kg) (i.e., the close to the cleanup criteria).



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- The unnamed tributary and drainageways were partitioned into segments based on topography and accessibility.
- The ecological habitat viability differs greatly among segments.
- Boggs Creek is the most viable ecological habitat.
- Certain segments of the tributary and drainageways are difficult to remediate.
- The mass of PCBs differs significantly between the segments.
- Utilizing NEBA approach supports that 100% remediation is not required.
- Propose select remediation of the "hot spots."
- Propose Monitored Natural Recovery (MNR) for Boggs Creek.

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Sincerely,

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